

ROOSEVELT SAYS PUBLICLY RATE LAWS MUST BE CHANGED

President, as Guest of Honor, Speaks at Dinner of Union League Club of Philadelphia—Points Out That No Single State, nor All the States, Can Make Laws Governing Country—Federal Action Is Made Necessary by Great Changes Since the Nation's Constitution Was Formed.

DETAILS, HE DECLARES, ARE WITH HOUSES OF CONGRESS.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 30.—President Roosevelt was the guest of honor and principal speaker to-night at the forty-second anniversary banquet of the Union League.

The President came to this city over the Pennsylvania Railroad from Annapolis, where he attended the exercises this afternoon incident to the graduation of the senior class of cadets. An immense throng greeted Mr. Roosevelt at the railroad station and he received an ovation on the way to the Union League.

At the clubhouse he passed through two lines of cheering members to the reception-room, where from 6:15 to 7 o'clock he stood and shook hands with several hundred prominent citizens. The first troop, Philadelphia City Cavalry, acted as the President's escort while he remained in the city.

The banquet-room was a marvel of the decorator's art. The national colors predominated in the floral and electrical effects, and the tables were designated by letters in red, white and blue, forming the name "Roosevelt."

President Roosevelt occupied a seat in the center of the guest's table, with President Steiwer of the Union League on his right and United States Senator Penrose on his left. Seated at the same table were former Postmaster General Charles Henry Smith, Congressman Birmingham, Governor Hildreth, Major General Proctor, in Grand, Lieutenant General R. B. Young, Governor Lea of Delaware, Governor Stokes of New Jersey and Mayor Weaver of this city. Governor Penrose of Pennsylvania was indisposed and could not attend.

Former Postmaster General Smith was also one of the speakers of the evening. His address was devoted to a history of the Union League.

Introducing President Roosevelt, Mr. Steiwer referred to him as the only Vice President who, having succeeded to the office of President through the death of his predecessor, retained that office by the votes of the people.

When President Roosevelt arose to make his address he was greeted with long-continued applause. Then the entire assembly stood and sang "The Star-Spangled Banner," accompanied by the First Regiment Band, N. G. P.

President Roosevelt, in his address, said: "This club was founded to uphold the hands of Abraham Lincoln, and to stand for the great leader in the struggle for union and liberty. It is the duty of every citizen to stand for the Union and to stand for the principles of the Union."

The great President taught many lessons to the people of this country. He was a man of great courage and of great wisdom. He was a man of great energy and of great determination. He was a man of great faith and of great hope.

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JOHANN HOCH IS ARRESTED

At First Denies His Identity, but Later Confesses He Is Accused Wife Murderer.

WOMAN CAUSES HIS CAPTURE.

Became Suspicious When He Proposed Marriage After Boarding at Her House Only a Few Days.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, Jan. 30.—Johann Hoch, who is now in Chicago, to answer the charges of having murdered at least eight women whom he had married in the last ten years, was arrested at No. 246 West Forty-seventh street to-night by detectives.

He first said his name was Henry Bartel and denied any knowledge of Hoch, but afterwards he admitted that newspaper pictures of Hoch were those of himself, and while he was being taken to police headquarters he confessed that he was the man wanted.

Hoch evidently pursued in this city the same tactics employed in the West. Mrs. Catherine Kimmeler, who rents rooms where Hoch was arrested, went to the Forty-seventh Street Police Station today and said she had been struck by the resemblance of a man named Henry Bartel, who was occupying one of her rooms, to the picture of Hoch in a newspaper.

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BUGGY USED IN FATAL DRIVE SETUP IN NEW LONDON COURT

Testimony of Witnesses Shows That It Is Same Leading Into Underbrush Near Bridge. Watson's Body Was Found—Representative Says Buggy Was Only One of That Peculiar Width in Monroe County or Surrounding Country.

FISHERMAN SAYS HE SAW WATSON HORSE DRIVEN ON BRIDGE.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New London, Mo., Jan. 30.—To-day was a field day for the State in the Watson case, and sensations followed in rapid succession.

All day the courtroom was jammed, there being almost as many women as men.

Doctor Watson's mother and three of his sisters occupied front seats during the afternoon, and in the audience, which occupied every available space in the courtroom, were many of the relatives of the defendant.

Captain Butler was in his accustomed place near the attorneys for the prosecution, and many of the relatives and friends of the dead woman were present.

James Watson, brother of the defendant, was called in court after the jury had been dismissed, and questioned as to why he had not produced the buggy in which the fatal ride was taken, and which a subpoena duces tecum commanded him to bring into court.

By order of Judge Ely the rubber-tired vehicle was brought into the courtroom at the afternoon session, and before the greatest crowd which has yet jammed into the courtroom, it was identified by James Watson as the buggy, and then witnesses measured it, its gauge and its track, and after witnesses testified that the buggy tracks which led into the secluded clearing near the bridge were four feet two inches in width, the prosecution introduced testimony to the effect that the only buggy in this section of the country of such narrow width was the Watson buggy.

After thrashing over the buggy question, which was the subject of much controversy and sharp language between lawyers and witnesses, the women who, as neighbors, assisted in preparing the body of Mrs. Watson for the grave, testified as to the marks on her body.

One of the most important witnesses was Robert Mason, a fisherman, who testified that he saw the gray mare driven on the bridge about 8 o'clock the night of the tragedy at a slow gait at first, then jumped as if struck by a whip, and that he heard no cries or the body falling into the river.

The defense cross-examined him most severely, and he was on the stand for nearly two hours, but they did not break him down as to the main points of his evidence.

BUGGY IN COURT.

By far the most dramatic feature of the day's proceedings was the production of the buggy in court during the afternoon. Some time ago James Watson was summoned to appear in court as a witness for the State and to bring with him the buggy in which Doctor Watson and his wife departed when they started on the ride which ended so disastrously on July 5.

He was the first witness for the State on Saturday and stated at that time that he did not bring the buggy to court, but that it would be produced at the proper time.

To-day noon, after the jury had been taken from the courtroom, Prosecution Attorney Holden addressed the court and stated that a subpoena duces tecum had been served and had been ignored. He demanded that the buggy be produced forthwith. Mr. Watson was sitting with him in the bar, and to a question of Judge Ely stated that he would produce it at any time the court desired, and at an order was issued directing that it be in the courtroom at the time court met after the noon recess.

CROWD GATHERS.

Word ran about town that the buggy was to be in court, and before 1 o'clock nearly the whole population had gathered as one man. The buggy was in the street adjacent to the courthouse, and thousands of people gathered about, figuring as to the possibility of getting it into the second story, where court was in session.

Senator Heather, one of the attorneys for the defense, attempted to measure the vehicle, but was warned to leave it alone by Mr. Watson, who was standing close by. Nevertheless, Senator Heather measured the buggy. Under the direction of the sheriff the wheels were taken off, the

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WILL TRADE STOCK OF LIGHT CONCERN

Three St. Louis Men Will Be Elected to Board of Directors—Merger Will Reduce Cost of Operation.

\$2,000,000 IMPROVEMENTS.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

St. Louis, Jan. 30.—Arrangements have been completed between representatives of the local stockholders of the Union Electric Light and Power and the Laclede Gas Light Company, on one side, and the North American Company, on the other, by which the latter company takes over all the common stock of the two companies, giving in exchange North American stock.

A meeting of the stockholders of the North American Company will be held in New York in the next few weeks at which the proposal to acquire by exchange all the common stock of the Union and Laclede companies will be submitted, and a vote taken on a motion to issue additional stock for the exchange.

The capital stock of the North American Company amounts to \$17,000,000, of which \$15,000,000 has been issued. It is, therefore, believed that the stockholders will vote on increasing the amount of the capital stock to at least \$20,000,000, if not more.

Besides controlling light and power plants in several other cities, the North American Company controls the plant of the Union Electric Light and Power Company. It is further proposed that \$2,000,000 additional shall be spent in improvements on the latter company.

To do this the North American Company will issue stock to that amount, by which the St. Louis stockholders will have an opportunity to increase their holdings, by participating in the purchase of these securities.

While the terms upon which the exchange of stock is to be made, it is said, are on the basis of share for share, and in no case will the holdings of St. Louis stockholders be increased by participation in the \$2,000,000 improvement issue, they have an opportunity of increasing their holdings.

WEST TO BALANCE EAST.

As a further evidence that the St. Louis interests are not to be overridden in any way, an agreement has been made by which the Board of Directors of the North American Company will consist of three members from St. Louis, three from Milwaukee and three from New York. In other words, the Western representation will balance the East in the management of the company's affairs.

Little doubt is expressed but that the stockholders of the North American Company will approve the additional issue to effect the exchange, and for that reason the deal is looked on as practically consummated.

On trustworthy authority it is stated that at the recent conference in New York between St. Louis financiers and representatives of the North American Company the subject of purchasing the Suburban Company was not taken up, but that active negotiations were on for the purchase of the traction lines of the United Railways Company. This deal, however, fell through because of lack of agreement on the terms of purchase.

Efforts are being made to organize a local syndicate to purchase the lines of the United Railways Company, but the negotiations are still pending and it is said that subscriptions for a large amount are lacking.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Ely's Cough Syrup. It is the only remedy that cures a cold in one day. It is the only remedy that cures a cold in one day. It is the only remedy that cures a cold in one day.

ORDERS ALL STATE TROOPS TO DEPART FROM ZEIGLER.

Maintenance of Troops at Zeigler Town Costs Illinois More Than \$15,000—Desires Troops Removed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Springfield, Ill., Jan. 30.—Acting under instructions from Governor Denen, Adjutant General Scott has issued an order for the withdrawal of the State militia from Zeigler, Ill., at noon on Wednesday, February 1.

The order was sent to Captain Galt, commander of Company C, Fourth Infantry, of Carbondale, to-day. Sheriff Stein of Franklin County was also notified of the action.

Captain Galt's command is the only one at Zeigler, the Mount Vernon company having been withdrawn several weeks ago.

The cost to the State of Illinois of sending troops to guard the Lester mine will exceed \$15,000, the expense of maintaining the soldiers having averaged \$50 a day.

Position Offered to Douglas.

Wellington, N. Z., Jan. 30.—H. Douglas, who has been with the Philadelphia team for years, has been offered the position of manager of the New Zealand team. He is awaiting his answer to the offer.

The Red Ragged Star.

Will soon be seen in St. Louis. Watch for it.

Telephone Your Answers.

To Republic Want Ads. bearing office number, to the Western Union Telegraph Co., Main 250 or A. G. Service free. Try it to-day.

Signor Victor in First Game.

Chicago, Jan. 30.—W. H. Signor, of San Francisco, won the first game of the San Francisco Athletic Club tonight. His opponent was E. J. Signor, of New York. Signor's average was 4.5, while that of Signor was 2.5.

The Red Ragged Star.

Extraordinary Values for Tuesday's Shoppers

OUR GUARANTEE IS BACK OF EVERY ITEM.

Brooms, 25c—Choice of any Broom in our store for 25c. Light, medium and heavy weight House Brooms, Parlor Brooms, Warehouse and Stable Brooms. Our regular 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c and 60c qualities are included. Positively none sold to dealers.

Not more than two will be sold to one customer. This offer is for Tuesday only.

Plumb and Level, 25c—Standard Oil Plumb and Level, 2 side views, nickel-plated trimmings—regular 35c value for 25c.

Screwdrivers—Good Screwdrivers, with 4 and 5 inch blades, guaranteed to give satisfaction—regular 20c value, now 10c; 6-inch size, price 15c.

Champion Pattern, with Thayer blades, 4, 5 and 6 inch, 20c; 8 and 10 inch, 35c; worth double. Tuesday only.

Hairbrush, 10c—Solid Wood-Back Brush, with genuine hog bristles. Price, Tuesday, 10c each—actual value, 25c.

Combs, 10c—Pocket Combs and Dressing Combs—regular 20c and 25c values—Tuesday for 10c each.

Skating Toques, 25c—Made of finest lamb's wool, all colors, all sizes; regular 75c value for 25c each.

Brier Pipes, 25c—Genuine Brier Root Pipes, bulldog or egg-shaped bowls, straight or curved stem, ambered, horn or hard rubber mouthpiece; regular 35c value. Package of sanitary pipe cleaners free with every 25c pipe to-day.

Weather Indications for Tuesday.

Probably snow; rising temperature.

Order by Telephone

If more convenient, call up Bell Main 1000 or Main 3000; Kinloch, B. 223.

Plates, 10c—English Porcelain Plates, with dainty blue and green underglaze decorations—15c and 20c values Tuesday for 10c each.

25c values in Austrian China Plates for 15c each.